



Gilead joins Private Cancer Physicians of Australia for launch of Live MDT Masterclass

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The inaugural PCPA Live Multidisciplinary Teams (MDT) Masterclass in cancer treatment was launched this week by the peak body for private cancer clinicians and its strategic partner GenesisCare.

Under the leadership of PCPA Board member and leading GenesisCare Medical Oncologist, Professor Stephen Clarke and his colleagues, participants from Gilead experienced, first-hand, what a day in the life of a breast cancer patient, undergoing complex treatment, really entails for them and their MDT teams.

The two-day interactive masterclass was held at the North Shore Campus in Sydney, incorporating GenesisCare and Royal North Shore Hospital.

After a curated lecture series, participants engaged, first hand, with the Breast Cancer MDTs, through a radiation oncology clinic, hospital pharmacy and a busy chemotherapy day suite.

“Our biopharmaceutical leaders rightly focus on the creation, data analytics and market access of new and innovative cancer therapies but we want them to truly understand the experience of Australian patients undergoing those very tests and treatments,” said Professor Clarke said.

“Physically joining the journey of a cancer patient, and their respective team of cancer clinicians and breast care nurses, not only deepens the empathy and appreciation of the daily challenges facing our patients, but it ultimately leads to more effective collaboration between all of us, in this delicately balanced cancer care ecosystem.”

Professor Clarke and the PCPA board acknowledged Gilead for ensuring a successful debut Live MDT Masterclass.

One of Gilead's leaders, Lisa Perry, the senior business unit director for oncology, said, “Our team now has an exponentially better understanding of the full breast cancer patient experience because we have seen, first-hand, the multidisciplinary team approach across both campuses.

“We can't thank the PCPA enough for this immersive experience that will, no doubt, help us to deliver better outcomes for patients.”